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## **DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

### **Food and Drug Administration**

**[Docket No. FDA-2013-N-0190]**

#### **Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission for Office of Management and Budget Review; Comment Request; Requirements Under the Comprehensive Smokeless Tobacco Health Education Act of 1986, as Amended by the Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act**

**AGENCY:** Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Food and Drug Administration (FDA or we) is announcing that a proposed collection of information has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Fax written comments on the collection of information by **[INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE *FEDERAL REGISTER*]**.

**ADDRESSES:** To ensure that comments on the information collection are received, OMB recommends that written comments be faxed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, OMB, Attn: FDA Desk Officer, Fax: 202-395-7285, or emailed to [oir\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:oir_submission@omb.eop.gov). All comments should be identified with the OMB control number 0910-0671. Also include the FDA docket number found in brackets in the heading of this document.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Amber Sanford, Office of Operations, Food and Drug Administration, Three White Flint North, 10A-12M, 11601 Landsdown St., North Bethesda, MD 20852, 301-796-8867, [PRAStaff@fda.hhs.gov](mailto:PRAStaff@fda.hhs.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In compliance with 44 U.S.C. 3507, FDA has submitted the following proposed collection of information to OMB for review and clearance.

Requirements Under the Comprehensive Smokeless Tobacco Health Education Act of 1986, as

Amended by the Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act

OMB Control Number 0910-0671--Extension

The Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act (the Tobacco Control Act) was enacted on June 22, 2009, amending the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act and providing FDA with the authority to regulate tobacco products (Pub. L. 111-31; 123 Stat. 1776). Section 3 of the Comprehensive Smokeless Tobacco Health Education Act of 1986 (the Smokeless Tobacco Act) (15 U.S.C. 4402), as amended by section 204 of the Tobacco Control Act, requires, among other things, that all smokeless tobacco product packages and advertisements bear one of four required warning statements. Section 3(b)(3)(A) of the Smokeless Tobacco Act requires that the warnings be displayed on packaging and advertising for each brand of smokeless tobacco "in accordance with a plan submitted by the tobacco product manufacturer, importer, distributor, or retailer" to, and approved by, FDA.

This information collection-the submission to FDA of warning plans for smokeless tobacco products is statutorily mandated. The warning plans will be reviewed by FDA, as required by the Smokeless Tobacco Act, to determine whether the companies' plans for the equal distribution and display of warning statements on packaging and the quarterly rotation of warning statements in advertising for each brand of smokeless tobacco products comply with

section 3 of the Smokeless Tobacco Act, as amended. Additionally, FDA considers a submission to be a supplement if the submitter is seeking approval of a change to an FDA-approved warning plan.

Based on FDA's experience over the past several years, FDA believes the estimate of 60 hours to complete an initial rotational plan continues to be accurate. If a supplement to an approved plan is submitted, FDA estimates it will take half the time per response (30 hours).

In the *Federal Register* of June 13, 2019 (84 FR 27638), FDA published a 60-day notice requesting public comment on the proposed collection of information. Although one comment was received, it was not responsive to the four collection of information topics solicited.

FDA estimates the burden of this collection of information as follows:

Table 1.--Estimated Annual Reporting Burden<sup>1</sup>

Activity	Numbers of Respondents	Numbers of Responses per Respondent	Total Annual Responses	Average Burden per Response	Total Hours	Total Capital Costs
Submission of Initial rotational plans for health warning statements	4	1	4	60	240	\$48
Supplement to approved plan	10	1	10	30	300	\$120
Total					540	\$168

<sup>1</sup> There are no operating and maintenance costs associated with this collection of information.

FDA estimates a total of 4 respondents will submit a new original warning plan and take 60 hours to complete a rotational warning plan for a total of 240 burden hours. In addition, 10 respondents will submit a supplement to an approved warning plan at 30 hours per response for a total of 300 hours. The total burden for this collection is estimated to be 540 hours.

Capital costs are based on 14 respondents mailing in their submission at a postage rate of \$12 for a 5-pound parcel (business parcel post mail delivered from the furthest delivery zone).

Therefore, FDA estimates that the total postage cost for mailing the rotational warning plans to FDA to be \$168.

We have adjusted our burden estimate, which has resulted in a decrease of 5,460 hours and 86 respondents to the currently approved burden. We received a total number of 44 original smokeless warning plans, and a total of 17 supplements. After receiving the initial influx of original warnings plans, FDA does not expect to receive as many original warning plans annually. We expect that a few supplements will continue to be received as new products are marketed or as warning plans are revised. We anticipate a total number of 10 supplements submitted annually and 4 original smokeless warning plans.

Dated: October 17, 2019.

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